American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009



City of Miami Beach Office of Real Estate Housing and Community Development

Substantial Amendment Annual Action Plan FY 2008 CDBG – Recovery Act

THE CDBG-R SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT

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The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("Recovery Act") was signed into law by President Obama on February 17, 2009. The Recovery Act awards \$1 billion in CDBG Recover (CDBG-R) funds to be distributed to cities, counties, insular areas and states of which \$10 million has been reserved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) of its administrative costs and \$10 million of which will be awarded to Indian tribes. Recipients of the remaining \$980 million of CDBG-R funds will be approximately 1,200 jurisdictions that received CDBG funding in Fiscal Year 2008.

Funding available under the Recovery Act has clear purposes - to stimulate the economy through measures that modernize the Nation's infrastructure, improve energy efficiency, and expand educational opportunities and access to health care.

HUD's Notice of Program Requirements FR-5309-N-01 asks from grantees to evaluate proposed projects for consistency with the goals of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) and to specifically follow the provision of Title XII of Division A of the Act. This Title requires that in selecting CDBG-R project to be funded, "recipients shall give priority to project that can award contract based on bids within 120 calendar days from the date the funds are made available".

A grantee must ensure that 70 percent of the CDBG-R funds are used for activities that benefit low-and moderate-income persons. The northern and southern part (North Beach and South Beach) of Miami Beach contain the highest concentration of low and moderate income persons in the City. These target areas contain Census tract/block groups that display evidence of greater than 51% of households with incomes at or below 80% of the median income and are a priority for allocation of resources.

The proposed projects for the City of Miami Beach Substantial Amendment meet HUD requirements for CDBG-R funds.

A. Spreadsheet For Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities

Activity Name	Activity Description	Eligibility (Regulatory or HCDA Citation)	National Objective Citation	CDBG-R Project Budget (\$)	Additional Recovery Funds (\$)	Other Leveraged Funding (\$)	Total Activity Budget
North Beach Senior Center Project Capital Improvements	New construction of an 8,000 sq. ft. of program spaces and 10,000 sq, ft. terraces and walkways senior center in the Bandshell Park at 7251 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach	570.001(c)	570.208(a)(1)	\$391,107.00	0\$	2,555,368	2,946,475
Teen Job Corps	The Teen Job Corps Program will provide at-risk, low-income youths with employment activities and vocational skills.	570.001(e)	570.208(a)(1)	\$30,000.00	0\$	\$62,450	92,450
Program Administration	To provide for program administration to ensure CDBG-R funds are expended in compliance will all HUD requirements	n/a	n/a	\$46,789.00	0\$	9	46,789
TOTALS				\$467,896	80	\$2,617,818	3,085,714

B. CDBG-R Information by Activity (Complete for each activity)

Activity #1 - North Beach Senior Center Project Capital Improvement

Activity Narrative:

This project will provide a comprehensive Senior Center located in the Bandshell Park at 7251 Collins Avenue. The North Beach Senior Center will provide comprehensive services designed to serve the large number of low to moderate-income and elderly residents in the North Beach area. The center will have over 8,000 sq. ft. of program space and approximately 10,000 sq. ft. of terraces and walkways. The environmental review process has been successfully completed for this project and the project is in its final permit process. The bid process for is scheduled to take place from June 2009 until September 2009, and construction to commence by October, 2009.

Jobs Created:

The new center will provide over 100 temporary jobs during the one year construction period, which is scheduled to start in October 2009, and to be completed November 2010.

Once completed, the Center will provide a variety of services to the senior community including job training and placement. Approximately 120 senior citizen residents will receive job placement per year and over 2,000 job referrals will be made during the same time period.

Responsible Organizations

The City of Miami Beach will be responsible for the administration of CDBG-R funds. Administration of the North Beach Senior Center will be conducted by UNIDAD of Miami Beach, Inc., a community-based organization which also runs the Miami Beach Career Center, a South Florida Workforce program.

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Activity #2 - Teen Job Corps

Activity Narrative:

The Teen Job Corps Program will provide at-risk, low income youths with employment activities and vocational skills. The program operates six (6) days a week, 52 weeks a year. Eligible program participants are enrolled full-time students, ages 14 to 18 years old, living in the City target areas (target areas are made are made up of 51% or more low-income residents) of North Beach and South Beach. Participants will learn job skills and perform public service job duties after school and on Saturdays. Program eligibility involves a comprehensive intake assessment that will determine family income according to HUD guidelines and the need for additional family referral services.

Jobs Created:

The CDBG-R funds, in combination with other sources of funding received by The Teen Job Corps, will create approximately 20 part-time jobs for qualified participants.

Responsible Organizations

The City of Miami Beach will be responsible for the administration of CDBG-R funds to ensure all required HUD regulations are followed. Teen Job Corps, Inc. will provide the part-time employment and vocational services to the qualified students recruited from referrals from Miami Beach Police Department, school counselors and various community based organizations.

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Activity #2 – Program Administration

Funding will be used to provide program administration of CDBG-R fund ensuring that all activities and expenditures are in compliance with all HUD requirements. The total allocation for this activity is \$46,789.00 which represents 10% of the total allocation.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

The City of Miami Beach followed its Citizens Participation Plan in accordance with 24 CFR part 91, except that it enforced a seven (7) day minimum comment period requirement as allowed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under FR-5309-N-01 by posting the plan for public comments on its website.

The City opened a seven (7) day comment period to provide City residents with an opportunity to submit written comments and views on the proposed uses of CDBG-R funding on May 26, 2009. A draft of the plan was available for review at 555 17th Street, Miami Beach, FL, 33139 and on the City's website at www.miamibeachfl.gov. A meeting was held on the last day of the public comment period, on June 1, 2009 to receive comments about the Plan.

